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TOTAL CLAIMS	5	MINUS	20	= 0	X \$18	\$ 0
INDEP. CLAIMS	1	MINUS	3	= 0	X \$84	\$ 0
[] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM					+ \$280	\$ 0
EXTENSION FEE	1ST MONTH \$110.00	2ND MONTH \$400.00	3RD MONTH \$920.00	4TH MONTH \$1440.00		\$ 0
OTHER FEES						\$
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$ 0

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Respectfully submitted,

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Amendment

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated 14 February 2002, having a three-month statutory period expiring 14 May 2002, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application in view of the following Amendments and Remarks.

STATUS OF APPLICATION

Claims 17-18 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by USPN 5,940,451 to Kim (hereinafter, Kim). There is a slight discrepancy in the office action: the office action summary states that claims 17 and 18 were rejected, whereas on page 2, in paragraph 3, it is stated that claims 17-20 are rejected. Applicants believe that the line on page 2, paragraph 3 is an accidental typographical error and are proceeding with the response on the belief that only claims 17-18 have been rejected.

Claims 19-21 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent from including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.